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A GENERAL MEETING!

Of the members of the Saskatchewan Curling Club will be held on

Thursday Evening, April 3,

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.

In McLean & Elliott's Law Office

A full attendance of the members is requested, as this is the closing meeting of the season. By order.

JOHN F. KENNEDY, Sec.

DEATH.

BRIDGEMAN—On March 27th, at Cumberland House, Manitoba, infant son of Horace and Rosalie Bridgeman, aged six months.

PRITCHARD—On March 27th, at St. Andrew's Parish, South Branch, Elizabeth, wife of Rev. J. P. Pritchard, aged 36 years.

—Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

Manitoba papers please copy.

CHIT-CHAT LOCALS.

Gathered by our Reporters.

Mr. Wm. Gordon got back from Troy on Tuesday.

See Wm. Cross' pump advertisement in another column.

Mr. Alex. Stewart arrived back home from Rat Portage last Monday.

The next session of the North West Council will be held in July next.

The snow has almost disappeared the last few days, and the sleighing is gone.

Hon. L. Clarke is expected home in a few days. Capt. J. M. Smith will accompany him.

Incorporation or no incorporation—that is the burning question of the hour. If not, why not?

Lost—A silver key, between Brown's store and Times office. Finder please leave at this office.

Mr. Hugh McDougall, who had been down to Ontario spending the winter with friends, arrived back here last week.

J. L. Johnson & Co. are advertising in another column a full supply of powder, shot and shells; also spades, hoes, rakes, etc.

There will be a meeting of the Prince Albert Fire Co. at Mr. Garvin's workshop this evening, at 7:30 sharp. Business of importance.

Seeds—Alex. H. Clark & Co., family chemists, have just received a large selection of garden and field seeds. Next to Col. Sprout's residence.

A requisition is being taken round for signature asking Mr. O. E. Hughes to come forward as a candidate for mayor in the event of incorporation.

The St. Andrew's Society will hold the first of their annual games on May 24th next, when a good programme will be offered. The boys had better commence getting up their muscle.

His Lordship, the Bishop of Saskatchewan, has appointed the Rev. E. Paske Smith, M. A., (University of Oxford) to be S. P. G. missionary at Calgary. He starts from England after Easter.

Col. Sprout, president of the Saskatchewan Curling Club, received by last mail from the Hon. L. Clarke, patron of the club, two beautiful silver medals awarded with gold, one to be played for by members of the Saskatchewan Club, and the other by the members of the Argyle Club.

A grand concert will be held on April 17th, in aid of the C. M. Church. The musical programme is under the able direction of Mr. J. L. Johnson, so the public may feel confident of having something first class. The church choir will be assisted by all the musical talent of the town.

CURLIANA.

Yesterday a grand bonspiel was held on the river rink, the members of both the Saskatchewan and Argyle clubs, participating. This will close the season's curling, of which we have had a long and a merry one. Four rinks of eight ends each were played, at the conclusion of which the score stood—Argyle's 21, Saskatchewan 24, leaving the latter club winners by three points.

COMMUNICATIONS.

FIRE PROTECTION.

To the Editor of The Times.

SIR,—I was pleased to read in THE TIMES of the 21st that we were in a fair way to be incorporated. I hope it may be so and soon, and that the first business that will engage the attention of the council will be that of fire protection. I trust the lesson taught by the late fire will not soon be forgot. Although the fire company were early in attendance with what appliances they have, and although they worked hard, ably assisted by the citizens, it was all they could do to save the store house. The mill had to go. Now, sir, I am positive, and know of what I speak, if a clean engine throwing two streams had been on hand, all below the stones would have been saved to run again, and thus the waste cost of itself five engines. Another matter, gunpowder is kept in large quantities by our storekeepers. It ought to be so kept that it can be easily got at and removed in case of fire, as great loss of life may result in case of an explosion.

FIREMAN.

To the Editor of The Times.

SIR,—I beg space of you to give a public explanation of aggression between myself and the Government, in regard to my cutting logs in the winter of '77. I would state that it came from information given by John Beals and Capt. Moore, as I understand, from Mr. Waggoner's statement. I cut the logs in the winter of '77, but the spring came on early and I only got 150 to the bank, which I rafted to Moore's mill and got paid for. In the summer I hauled 55 more and the mill being idle for want of logs Capt. Moore sent one of his men, Dan McKinley, who came to my place and saw the logs and agreed to take them all at the stump for \$2.50 a thousand feet, which just paid for the cutting and sawing of them. This I agreed to. When Capt. Moore came home he sent McKinley and others to get the logs, and McKinley left word at my place that he was not going to take the logs himself, but Moore would. Capt. Moore was up with them and must have known they were my logs they were taking. They took about 150 logs. When I went for my log he refused to pay me, saying that the logs had been cut six months and that I was a nuisance, and that I did nothing but run around and destroy timber, and threatened to prosecute me for the same. I made a few remarks that did not please him, and having incurred his ill-will, I had no choice but to leave the logs that I had hauled and those still in the woods to rot rather than spend more time and labor in getting them to his mill and then run the chance of getting anything for them. Now the same party has laid information against me for leaving those same logs to rot. About a year after Moore took my log I saw at his mill and mentioned the facts to Mr. Stevenson, his log keeper, who used the oft repeated words "differently so that, I shall go and ask him." He brought Moore to where I was standing and as he came forward he said "I believe you are blackguarding me all over the country about those logs." I said I was and asked him if he thought he did not deserve it. He replied, without giving me any option about the value of the logs, will you take twenty dollars. I replied it was better than nothing, and secondly got twenty dollars worth of lumber. I am now informed by the Land Agent that I cannot enter any land till I first show a receipt from the Crown Timber Agent that the dues have been paid on those logs. Not having been there since, but hearing from people that there were very few left and that others had taken them at different times, by their own admissions to myself, and being told by Waggoner that my last plan was to get two men to go up and look up the logs and see how many were left and make an affidavit thereto, which I did. I cut about 500 logs, of these I ran 150 to the mill, and Capt. Moore took about 150. I left 55 on the bank, which were taken by other parties, and I had 58 left on the ground, cut over by me, by the statement of two witnesses who have gone over it.

DANIEL CAMERON.

TELEGRAPHIC.

HOUSE STILL IN SESSION.

No Business of Importance last Week—Budget Speech To-morrow.

Immigrants arriving from Ontario.

Railway Collision—Passengers Injured.

Mild Weather in Manitoba.

Sir Charles Tupper will Oppose San Francisco, Winnipeg and H. B. Railway.

The Opposition to take up Manitoba Grievances.

Debate on Prohibition—Vote in Favor defeated by Large Majority.

Sir John A. M. Seriously Ill.

Prohibition Advocated Submission of Scott Act to the House.

Heavy Floods at London.

Toronto Railway Case Still Going on in Police Court.

Damaging Evidence Against Howat Talk of his Arrest.

Excitement increasing as the Damaging Facts come out.

The Ontario Parliament Procrastinated.

Threatened Strike of G. T. E. Employees.

Advance of British Delays by Stephens Large Number of Sanitarians.

Floods, Terrible Cyclones, Houses, Trains and Churches blown away—Great Loss of Life.

By Special Telegram to The Times.

WINNIPEG, March 27th.—The Local House is still in Session. Nothing of importance has transpired during the past week, mostly private bills. Premier Norquay will make his budget speech to-morrow.

A large number of immigrants are arriving from Ontario and England.

On Wednesday a train of twenty-four cars containing settlers' effects and stock from Port Hope, with about thirty passengers was run into by an express train near St. Paul. The caboose of Settlers' train badly wrecked, and several of the passengers severely injured, and taken to the hospital at St. Paul.

The weather is warm and rainy. The snow has entirely disappeared.

OTTAWA, March 27th.—Sir Charles Tupper says he will oppose the passage of the San Francisco, Winnipeg and Hudson Bay Railway bill.

The opposition bring up Manitoba grievances to-day.

A long debate on prohibition occurred here. The vote in favor of it was defeated by eighty-two.

Sir Leonard Tilley voted against prohibition. He said he had seen the effects of it in New Brunswick, and that worse evils existed there now than under the license law.

Sir John A. Macdonald is seriously ill, and unable to sit in Parliament.

Toronto, March 27th. The question of prohibition is being strongly advocated here.

The prohibitionists are asking that the Scott Act be submitted to the electors all over the Dominion simultaneously.

Heavy floods at London, and the river is very high.

The Kingston Road bridge has been seriously damaged.

The trial of Bunting, Kirkland, Monk and Wilkinson at the Police Court is still going on. Kirkland has been bailed by Prof. Goldwin Smith. Serious evidence has been given damaging Premier Howat. The question now is whether Mr. Howat will be arrested or not. The excitement is intense as the damaging facts come to light.

The Local House was prorogued yesterday.

The employees of the G. T. R. are threatening to strike all along the line.

LONDON, Eng., March 27th.—The advantage of the British troops has been delayed by sickness. Nearly three hundred men were sunstruck in one day, most of whom have recovered.

Another battle is expected to-morrow.

LOUISIANA, March 27th.—A terrific cyclone occurred here yesterday, destroying houses, churches and trains. A great number of lives lost. The damage done is incalculable.

DAYTON, Ohio, March 27th.—A severe cyclone passed over here yesterday, doing great damage. A large number of lives lost.

VICKSBURG, March 27th.—The Mississippi is four feet over the mark. The whole country is overflowed and the damage done is immense.

SECOND CARNIVAL.

The second and last carnival of the season was held on the Saskatchewan Curling and Skating Rink last Friday evening, and was in every way a pronounced success. The P. A. C. Band was in attendance; and added greatly to the enjoyment and success of the evening. The costumes were numerous, well got up and many of them superior to those of the first carnival. There was a large turn out of spectators, who appeared to thoroughly enjoy themselves. The committee's arrangements were much better carried out this time, and the lights more plentiful and better arranged. Owing to the recent mild weather the ice was rather soft, which was the only drawback to the whole affair. It is to be hoped that next season the club will take time by the forelock and inaugurate their carnivals a little earlier in the season, as this would give those wishing to do so a better opportunity for preparing the costumes and characters. Many of the costumes were worthy of social mention but where all were good, we will content ourselves by giving the names of some of those who appeared in character:

Miss Cassin, Rob Roy's wife; Miss Mackenzie, Fish Girl; Miss Kittle Ballantyne, Bride; Miss Hannah Ballantyne, Little Red Riding Hood; Miss J. V. Atkinson, Village Romp; Miss Maggie Finlayson, Child of the Regiment; Miss Blanche Sproat, Little Bo Peep.

Measrs. T. Powers, Rob Roy; T. Baker, Captain P. A. Baseball Club; E. Taylor, Smoother; J. H. McKay, Brigand; N. O. Mackenzie, Plasterer; T. Peterson, Nogo; C. Atkinson, Grandpa; Duncan McGregor, Circus Clown; Nick Meale, Black Devil; Freddie Stewart, Highland Laddie; J. Ballantyne, Jack of Diamonds; John Hurd, Baseballist; A. M. McElmott, Josephus Orange Blossom; Chas. Nevitt, English Swell; J. H. Knowles, Highlander; G. Stevens, Negro Girl; J. F. Kennedy, North West Hunter; A. Holston, Dakota Brave; W. Beckett, Sioux Chief; T. O. Davis, New York Tramp; W. H. Fish, Army Officer; C. Davidson, Sunflower; A. McDermott, N.W.M.P. Officer; — Jarvis, N.W.M.P. Officer; A. McLean, Grass Widow.

SOUTH BRANCH.

South Branch, March 26.

The funeral of the wife of the Rev. J. F. Pritchard took place last Sunday. The Rev. E. Matheson preached a most impressive sermon, of which we will give a synopsis next week.

Philip Turner has been confined to the house for the last sixteen days, having cut his right foot with an axe. The wound is doing as well as can be expected.

The threshing machine of Mr. George Taylor is again in full blast on his own farm. There are quite a number of farmers here who have not yet threshed.

The celebrated Indian, Dr. Pascal, has just been going his rounds warning his brother Indians to keep away from the white men for fear they might get slaughtered in the Indian outbreak which is to take place about the end of next month.

Quite a number of building logs have been hauled on the property of Mr. Brewster, where a public school house is intended to be erected by the settlers of this vicinity. Mr. Brewster desires the thanks of the people for his generous gift of the land for that purpose.

Charles Chase from Smith's reserve returned a few days ago from a deer hunt, after killing three red deer. His brother Peter killed five moose.

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That nature—working steadily and surely as is her wont, has during the course of slowly passing ages been silently accumulating in these Territories a rich abundance of all things suited to the requirements of civilized man, is a fact no longer open to dispute. That the discovery of this fact should have been made just as signs of shure, if slow, decay in the older inhabited portions of the globe appear—coincident too with that revolution in the condition of society caused by the rapidly increasing practical application to the wants of man of old world scientific discoveries, is not without a large significance in casting the horoscope of our posterity in this vast country. What, however, more immediately and intimately concerns us just now is the question as to how we are to secure to ourselves the greatest possible benefits which ought justly to reward our enterprise, our arduous labors and severe privations as the pioneers of civilization, nor does the answer to this most vital question seem far to seek. Deducting the depression, necessary consequent upon hopes and schemes allowed to run riot, there remains the fact that immigration of one kind has been on such a scale that in a short while consumers of produce have already so far increased supply beyond demand, that an immediate outlet for the surplus is absolutely necessary for our salvation. It seems almost superfluous to add that nothing but the clearest demonstration of the impracticability of the scheme will serve to upset the settled conviction of the vast majority of the intelligent men interested, that this outlet is to Europe through the Hudson Straits. The experiment as to how small a margin consistent with the actual existence of the settler may be left out of the pockets of railway shareholders and of others in the eastern provinces, may seem a legitimate one to them, but they must distinctly understand that we do not intend to form the subjects of any such experiment. The refusal to devote our lives to such a worthless purpose may seem selfish, but we can't help it. The solution of the Hudson Straits question seems to us to mean life or death for the Territories. While quite aware that mere paper demonstration can carry no great weight either way, we must say that a careful examination of evidence, so far adduced, strongly tends to strengthen our conviction of the practicality of the route, the more so, as we notice that a contrary view is supported to a great extent by men who until recently succeeded in convincing Europe that this country was useless unless for fur trading. That idea is already a tradition, and we believe that the impracticability of profitably navigating the Hudson Straits will soon be relegated to the same category. Space only permits us to glance at this large question, and as probably all that can so far be said about it has been already amply discussed, we pass on to what seems now of the last importance, to remind the Government at Ottawa how jealously their conduct with re-

gard to this matter is being scrutinized. That their conduct with respect to other matters has engendered much bad feeling they must be aware, and we trust that by refusing to pander to the selfish interests of the opponents of this scheme, and manfully doing us justice now, they may succeed in erasing much existing bitterness. The conduct of the C. P. R. authorities seems to bear out our expectation that, so far from opposing the idea, they would recognize how far the prosperity of the Territories as a whole and their own must be mutually involved. We believe that anything they may lose by the divergence of traffic from the eastern portion of their line, where they have to contend with powerful opposition, will before long be more than compensated for by the increase on so much of their line as will form a most important link in the communication between the Pacific Ocean and Europe. That much jealousy should exist in and opposition come from the eastern Provinces we fear is inevitable, but we believe the proportion of that antagonism, and the benefits certain to accrue to us from the completion of the scheme, to bear an inverse ratio. We would humbly advise its opponents to give in gracefully, to resign themselves to the inevitable. They can only hope at most to retard for a time what is a foregone conclusion, and meanwhile excite much bitterness in those whose prosperity, we might say very existence, depends upon the speedy accomplishment of the scheme. Meanwhile we earnestly hope that the people of Manitoba and the North West Territories will sink all other differences for the present and to a man unite in the support of their leaders in carrying through that, as compared with which all else sinks into insignificance.

With regard to Mr. D. Cameron's story as told in his letter, we consider it an imperative public duty to point out the significance of his statement that he has been refused entry of his land until he can produce a receipt from Crown Timber Agent for deeds claimed on logs cut under circumstances described in his letter. Putting aside the question of the justice of imposing a timber tax upon us under our peculiar circumstances, it is to be tolerated that a retrospective inquiry is to call us to account for timber cut seven years ago, at a time when there was no timber agent in the District, if even in the Territories? In those days a settler would have just as soon thought of getting a permit to water his cattle at the river, and known as much how to set about getting the one as the other. Supposing, however absurdly, that we admit the justice of bringing forward a claim at this distance of time, there remains the yet greater difficulty of explaining this unique method of making and enforcing it. Before saying much we wish to give the Government officials concerned an opportunity of giving that explanation which is assuredly due to the public, and which has to be obtained from them or their superiors. We want to clearly understand whether the timber agent has exhausted the ordinary and legal remedies, distinctly provided in the Dominion Land Act, for recovery of penalties for cutting timber without permission. Does he consider an *ex parte* statement made to the Land Board equivalent to entering a suit in the name of the Crown before a competent court having jurisdiction? If he has so far forgotten himself what can justify the Board in receiving and acting upon such a statement?

We believe this action to be *ultra vires*, even had they the decency to hear Cameron's side of the question. As the matter stands, unless Cameron can produce a receipt for an unsubstantiated claim of a totally uncertain amount, he may have his land jumped, and lose the fruit of ten years labor and privation. The thing bears on the face of it an ugly look of tyranny. It would look as if the Timber Agent, ashamed to prosecute so preposterous a claim in open court, has had recourse to something not unlike a conspiracy to bulldoze. Perhaps, though, he can explain. We trust he will do so soon, as people here remain in doubt whether their position is to be under police officers, Crown timber or other agents, analogous to that of Russian serfs.

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Each settler on a homestead quarter section not having timber on it, may, on application to the Local Agent of Dominion Lands, purchase a wood lot not exceeding twenty acres in extent, at \$5 per acre.
Any person other than a homestead settler desiring permission to cut timber, must make application therefor to the Minister of the Interior, who will deal with such application according to law.
Persons who have already cut timber without authority must pay the dues thereon to the Crown Timber Agent at his office, or before the 1st May, 1884, otherwise the said timber will be confiscated under the Dominion Lands Act.
D. J. WAGGONER,
Crown Timber Agent.

STRAYED

On to the premises of the undersigned, about a month ago, a dark brown mare, about a year old; feet and face white.

The owner can have her by paying expenses. If not claimed before the expiry of two months will be sold to pay expenses.

J. R. ISBISTER (South Branch, March 21st, 1884.)

NOTICE.

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H. B. ROUTE AGAIN.

J. Lennie, of Long Lake, sailed from Stromness in the *Okeja*, on the 15th of June, 1861, in the H. B. Co. ship *Prince of Wales*, for York factory. Had mild weather and a pleasant trip all the way out. Saw no iceberg of any account. sighted Cape Resolution, at the entrance to Hudson's straits, about the last of June. Could see both coasts all the way through the straits. There was considerable fog, but the ship did not lie up. Saw no ice in the straits. Tack south channel. Water deep everywhere, no sunken rocks and navigation good. Only difficulty, the compass would not work properly, and had to be kept regulated all the time with a copper wire so that it would give the true direction. When near the shore fired guns to attract the attention of Esquimaux, but none came to the ship. After passing through the straits about August 15th, turned south south-east, passing between Mansfield island and the main land. There came a cold ice sheet, and stuck for a day with no open water in sight. The turn of the tide released the vessel, and no more ice was seen. The vessel was in no danger from the ice. No icebergs are ever seen in the straits or bay, and there are no violent storms. Landed at York on August 20th. Five fathom hole where the ship anchor is about seven miles from York and in low tide the vessel has only room to swing, with bare sand banks near by.

Mr. Lennie remained at York factory during the years '62, '63 and part of '64. The ships generally lay at York about three weeks, leaving for England about the middle of September. Ice took in York river early in October of '61, and kept gradually freezing further out on the river. Although open water could not be seen in the dead of winter, the steamers were generally dead calm and very cold, the thermometer frequently reaching 60° below. Snow about six feet deep. All winters similar in character. Spring thaw commences in the latter part of March, and snow goes off in latter part of April or first of May. York river opens about May 30th, and the bay clears of ice about the same time. Nelson river opens before York river, and breaks a passage through the ice to the open water of the bay while the ice generally is yet solid along the shore. The summer season is generally very hot. June of '63 the thermometer registered 100 in the shade for several weeks. Turnips and radishes grow well at the fort and potatoes have been tried, but only got to the size of marbles. There is no frost in June or July.

After leaving York Mr. Lennie resided in the Rainy Lake district for three years, and about September 1st, of '67, took passage in a new vessel called the *Prince Rupert* for London, Eng. Saw a small amount of floe ice on the bay before reaching Mansfield island. Passed the island in the night, five days out from York. Saw no ice at Mansfield island or in the straits. Had no fog, as there are none in the fall. Passed Cape Resolution seven days from York. Kept along north shore in the straits. Fair gales across the ocean, and no ice. Reached the West India docks, London, twenty days after leaving York.

Left Stromness again for the North West on June 18th, 1870, in the *Prince Rupert*. Excellent trip to Cape Resolution. Saw plenty of whales and few icebergs. The icebergs are met in the ocean far out from the entrance of the straits, and near the gulf stream. Arrived at Cape Resolution in two weeks from leaving Stromness. Entered the straits and were jammed with floe ice the first day. Turned and came out, and lay off and on the entrance for a week, then entered the straits and went through floe ice in sight. Weather good all the time. By mistake reached Stoney river on the coast, a few miles south-east of York, but anchored at York next day, at weeks and a day from Stromness. After entering the bay on this ship, met a small Yankee schooner which had entered the bay three weeks before and had seen no ice while passing through the straits.

The out trip is usually made by the H. B. ships in from five to eight weeks, and the return in from twenty to thirty days, as they almost always have a north-west wind all the way. Excepting occasional delays from the ice, the navigation of the straits is excellent, deep water close to shore and plenty of room. The icebergs are caused by the contrary action of winds and tides as the ice is passing out of the straits, but a change in wind

or tide invariably breaks up the jam. Delay from ice jams is the exception, not the rule. The part of the navigation where the ice is most likely to be troublesome is that at the outlet of the straits into the bay. There are a number of islands, including Mansfield island, and in the comparatively narrow channels between these islands the ice is most likely to become jammed by a contrary wind as it is attempting to pass into and through the straits. There is no trouble in the bay, except from occasional fogs.

Two H. B. vessels, the *Prince Arthur* and *Prince of Wales*, were wrecked on Mansfield island together in 1884. The captains were Americans, and new on the route. They got drunk, as the report goes, and without fog or ice ran their vessels under full sail aground on the island. The *Prince Arthur* became a total wreck, but the *Prince of Wales* got off and reached York. She was afterwards refitted and sent to the Pacific ocean.

After reaching York in the fall of '64 the *Prince of Wales* was found to be too leaky to make it safe for her to venture out so late in the season, she was therefore laid up in the mouth of Nelson river. The point at which she was laid up was ten miles up from the mouth of the river, or rather estuary, in a small side bay well sheltered and having ten fathoms of water. The ruins of the old fort could be seen at the wintering place. It had been abandoned when the boat route to the interior was changed from Nelson river to that by way of York factory and Hill river. The reason for the change was that although the number of portages were the same on both routes, the number of portages on the Nelson over which the boats had to be carried was greater than on the other route. The Nelson is twenty miles wide at its mouth.—*Edmonton Bulletin*.

M. E. N. RAILWAY.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders—Election of Directors—Subsequent Meeting of the Board.

The adjourned annual meeting of the stockholders of the Manitoba & Northwestern Railway Company was held at the offices of the Company at noon on Monday March 3rd. Mr. Duncan MacArthur, vice-president, occupied the chair. There was a fair attendance of shareholders.

Scrutineers having been appointed, the election of directors was proceeded with and resulted as follows: Andrew Allan, Robt. G. Allan, H. M. Allan, Andrew A. Allan, Bryce J. Allan, Montreal; Duncan MacArthur, W. L. Boyle, Thomas Howard, R. H. Burton, England; A. T. Drummond and Hugh A. Allan, Montreal.

After the transaction of some other routine business, the meeting adjourned to meet again after the return of the financial agents from England, where everything is progressing favorably in the interests of the company.

RELATION OF OFFICERS.

At a meeting of the newly elected board held in the afternoon the following officers were elected: President—Andrew Allan. Vice President—Duncan MacArthur. Secretary—Fred. H. Brydges. Treasurer—W. R. Baker. Mr. J. S. Crawford, Mayor of Birtle, submitted another proposition to the Board for the road to touch that town. A liberal bonus, free right of way, town lots and free site for station and shops were proffered. The engineering difficulties are almost too great to meet the views of the people of Birtle. It was, however, agreed to consider the matter at an adjourned meeting. The Board then adjourned.

THE TERRITORIAL GAZETTE.

The North West Territories Gazette of the 29th February contains the following appointments:—

To be notary public, Colin N. Campbell, of Calgary; to be justices of the peace, Matthias Holthby, of Long Lake; Charles Marshall, of Whitecourt; Rowland Hill, of Moose Jaw; Neil Farquhar Mackinnon Scobie, of Pincher Creek; John Garrett, of Old Man's River; John Turner, of Edmonton; George A. Simpson, of Edmonton; Jacob W. Hosteler, and William McArthur, both of the north-eastern part of the Territories. Samuel Cruikshank, of Fort Qu'Appelle; Richard Solomon Garratt, of Pleasant Plains.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

THE VERY LATEST NEWS.

CANADIAN.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, March 15.—S. R. Marlett has purchased H. R. Banks' lumber yard, through the Ontario Bank.

A successful carnival, the last of the season, was given on the rink last night. George Craig has made arrangements to supply Neepawa grangers with goods.

SILVER CITY, N. W. T., March 15.—An enthusiastic meeting of citizens was held last night to consider the means of establishing a newspaper. The greatest unanimity prevailed and in less than an hour a handsome sum of money was raised. Geo. Bengough, formerly manager of Grip, Toronto, was appointed editor and manager. The plan is to be procured as soon as possible, and the Silver City Prospector may be looked for in the merry month of May.

OTTAWA, March 14.—The Canada Gazette contains the appointment of T. A. Bernier, of St. Boniface, at present the third commissioner under the McCarty Act, for the liquor license district of Provencher, Man., to be second commissioner, and Joseph F. Tennant to be the third commissioner for the same district.

It was rumored at the Parliament buildings to-night that the Government had received an intimation to use every precaution, as dynamiters were supposed to be meditating an attack on the buildings. The guard was increased, and the Speakers of the Commons and Senate have apartments in the buildings, retired from their quarters on Saturday evening. It is said, however, that Speaker Kirkpatrick left owing to his wife being ill.

MONTREAL, March 15.—The Canadian Pacific has reduced its freight rates on produce coming from Chicago to ten cents per hundred pounds.

TORONTO, March 15.—The Ontario Legislature to-day passed a bill giving widows and spinners with the necessary property qualification the right to vote at municipal elections.

STRATFORD, March 15.—A gas explosion occurred in the Liberal Club building to-day, smashing all the windows in the building and injuring one man.

WINNIPEG, March 16.—This morning at 8 o'clock two prisoners confined in Sandwich jail shot and killed the jailer and fatally wounded a turnkey and escaped. Later advices state that one of them was captured, and the other it is thought is dead, as he was severely wounded by the jailer.

Last night Geo. Ross, colored, on going home caught Scott, also colored, with the former's mistress and threw a lamp striking Scott on the head and breaking the lamp. The oil took fire and Scott was fatally burned. Ross was arrested.

AMERICAN.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 16.—At the Pense opera house last night a trapeze act named La Haie was performing an act called ceiling walking, fell fracturing his skull and breaking his neck. He died soon after being picked up.

NEW YORK, March 16.—A prize fight for \$500 between Hogan and Barr was fought to-day on a barge which was towed out into East River. Hogan won in four rounds.

ST. LOUIS, March 16.—Arrangements are in progress for a grand international bench show of dogs, to be held here about the middle of April.

NEOSHA FALLS, Ky., March 16.—The Quarantine Committee have ordered the killing and burning of seven head out of the Owl Creek herd.

DAYTON, Ohio, March 16.—On January 11th, 1867, Christiana Kete, a pretty girl, 18 years old was murdered in her home on Oak street and no clue was ever discovered to the murderer until yesterday, when her brother made a death-bed confession that her own mother had committed the deed.

PLYMOUTH, Ind., March 16.—At Walnut station, Marshall County, two country boys, named George Harris and Daniel Harding, got drunk and undertook to clean out John Chesman's saloon. One knocked Chesman down and the other kicked him. Chesman regained his feet, shot Harris dead and put two balls into Hardman's lungs, from which he died this evening. Chesman is in jail.

NEW ORLEANS, March 16.—From Shar-

key to Greenwood, 100 miles below, the water is over all places except a few mounds sufficient for stock to stand on. The town of Greenwood is under water except a warehouse and the court house. Shell Mounds and Sison are both overflowed. No loss of life or stock has yet been reported.

GENERAL.

LONDON, Eng., March 15.—The Commons continued in session all night debating the supply bill.

It is rumored that the Government desiring to test the opinion of the country in regard to their Egyptian policy have decided to dissolve Parliament and inform the Queen of this decision.

DUBLIN, March 17.—The counties of Tyrone, Fermanagh, South and North Armagh have been proclaimed under the Crimes Act in view of possible riots to-day.

PARIS, March 16.—The French advance from Bac Ninh has begun, Gen. Deslisle marching upon Thaloquyen, and General Negrier upon Langson.

The Government has instructed Gen. Mitot commander of the land forces in Tonquin, not to carry his operations beyond Thaloquyen and Langson. Prime Minister Ferry has requested direct negotiations with Marquis Tcheng for a treaty based upon the condition that the French be allowed to retain possession of Bac Ninh.

MADRID, March 16.—Gen. Velarde, a cavalry ensign, three sergeants and twenty five civilians were arrested at General Velarde's house on Saturday. Several others were arrested at other places, including Brigadier Villa Campa. The Government has for some time been aware of a conspiracy being hatched for a military uprising similar to that of August last. Many more persons were arrested to-day, including Moran, secretary for Durilla, a priest, fourteen sergeants and three army officers. The Government has forbidden the proposed communist banquet and public serenade in honor of Pontonelo, the well known democratic deputy.

BREKEL, March 15.—At a meeting of the Progressists to-day a resolution to fuse with the Liberal Union was adopted. U. S. Minister Sargeant has accepted from him an invitation to dinner on the 22nd with the Emperor William.

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